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Mr. Rodney Cremeans
Department of the Army
Huntington District, Corps of Engineers
Attn: CELRH-PM
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RE: Dover-Dam Safety Assurance Program Final Evaluation Report and Environmental Impact
Statement CEQ Number: 20070242

Dear Mr. Cremeans:

In accordance with Section 309 of the Clean Air Act and the National Environmental Policy Act, the United States Environmental Protection Agency Region 5 (U.S. EPA) has reviewed the Dover-Dam Safety Assurance Program Final Evaluation Report and Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). The purpose and need for the project is to modify Dover dam to meet current design standards that relate to stability and sliding during a maximum flood. The Dover dam is located in Tuscarawas County on the Tuscarawas River, approximately 3.5 miles northwest of Dover, Ohio. Three alternatives were evaluated in the EIS. Your agency has designated the preferred alternative that would require the dam to be raised. The dam would be raised through the use of concrete parapet walls and installation of anchors in the spillway and stilling basin to address inadequate bedrock foundation.

In our March 12, 2007 comment letter on the draft EIS, we indicated that we had environmental concerns. Our concerns centered on the need for detailed information on a process to evaluate and if necessary, remediate potential hazardous waste that may be present in the project area. The additional information provided by your agency in the final EIS has adequately addressed our concern.

Thank you for the opportunity to review and comment on the final EIS for the proposed Dover dam project. If you have any questions or comments, please contact Al Fenedick of my staff at 312-886-6872 or by E-mail, fenedick.al@epa.gov.

Sincerely,

/s/

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